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Election results

1978-79 Student Government

Executive Board

President-Bob Calway
Vice President-Barbara Lee Jazque
Treasurer-Diane Walker
Recording Secretary-Sue Turner
Assistant Treasurer-Bette Cunningham
Public Info. Officer-Val Mawhinney

All College Council

Phyllis Martino
Val Mawhinney
P. Gregory Smith
John Quist
Class of 1979
President-John Quist
Vice-President-Sharon Haverty
Treasurer-Diana Walker
Secretary-Suan Brennan
Representatives-Joseph Hehn, Margaret Miller, Joseph Pecoraro, Michael Pecoraro.
Class of 1980
President-James Carr

Vice President-Donna McCann
Treasurer-Elaine Turner
Secretary-Barbara O'Conner
Representatives-Joanne Briggs, Robert Connor, Patricia Gilrairie, Daniel O'Connor.
Class of 1981
President-David Proulx
Vice President-Marianne Morrison
Treasurer-Elaine Baci
Secretary-Kathleen Clough
Representatives-Ann Marie Brighenti, Mary Gleason, Janet O'Neil, Mathew Kenslea.
Commuter's Board
President-To be appointed
Vice President-To be appointed
Treasurer-To be appointed
Secretary-To be appointed
Representatives-'79 Margaret Kane, '80 David Gendall, '81 To be appointed.
These newly elected officers will be profiled in the next edition of the Rhetoric. - Ed.



WILLIAM R. DONOHUE, new FSC Dean.

(Rhetoric photo)

Only 27% of students voted

"Whew, the SGA elections are over for another year!" This is a common expression heard from anyone connected with the yearly duty of coordinating the elections for the Student Government on this campus. This expression of helplessness was also the initial feeling I had Thursday, March 16, 1978 at about 9 p.m., after the final vote counting had been done. I knew that only the trivial tasks of finishing up with notifications was all that was left to do and this seemed minimal compared to the aggravation I had encountered in attempting to motivate the students into some kind of concern for the functioning of their SGA.

Admittedly, The Elections Committee was understaffed, and as chairperson, I am partially to blame. However, I feel it is the duty of the students to actively participate in all aspects of campus life. I found very little initiative in the majority of my fellow students to come forth with any type of help. In a school community there should be some unity.

In the recent election, 27 percent of the student population "ventured out" to the voting tables to share in that task of voting. Of the 678 that did show up, I would guess that only 300 knew who they were supporting and why. It is this fact that disturbs me, because of the time and effort taken by those who helped in the election campaign this year. I feel that I cheated these people by not reaching the 1800 students who failed to support their student government.

Ridiculous Results

Of course, to expect 100 percent

of the students to be concerned would be fantasizing, but these results are utterly ridiculous!

To laugh the problem off, under the category of apathy is equally absurd. What I propose as an answer to the situation is a reconstruction of student priorities. By this I mean a consorted obligation to all of your fellow students. You owe them the time it takes to get your fanny down to candidates hour and listen to those who do care about your campus, just as you owe the basketball team or the hockey team the courtesy of cheering for them at home games. I think that each and every one of us have to keep in mind how important it is

to be a part of a united college community. As a whole, we possess the power to make the changes as we see suitable, but if we continue to conform to the type of individual egocentricity which prevails on this campus - we will accomplish nothing!

Hopefully, the future can provide some comfort to those who share in my sentiments. I'm willing to keep fighting and I demand that every one of you acquire the insight needed to see the credence in my argument! Down with Apathy!

Ken Welch
Chairperson of
1977-78 Elections
Committee

Epsilon Pi Tau

The Epsilon Award:
What is it?

The Epsilon Award is an annual award given to recognize a student in Industrial Technology who has demonstrated a high degree of skill and knowledge in a given area. The skill shall be demonstrated by some sort of project submitted for judgement. Along with this, he or she will have to show a high degree of knowledge and research concerning all aspects of the project.

What about the project?

The type of work which may be presented for a project is open to any research and-or Industrial Technology activity. The materials included in the project shall be such that they will indicate how the activity and-or research was done. This is for the

purpose of exposing all work done to all interested individuals who will pass by the projects situated in the lobby of the Industrial Arts Building.

How is the winner chosen?

The projects will be put on display for one day, after which the winner will be announced. Individual judges who foster the ideals of Epsilon Pi Tau are chosen from industry and-or an educational institution. The judges will select the top five or six projects meeting the ideals of Epsilon Pi Tau (skill, social and professional efficiency, and research.) The students are interviewed to determine their depth of knowledge in their area. Finally, one of the individuals

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FSC's Dean of Students

Dr. William R. Donohue of Enid, Oklahoma has been selected for the position of Dean of Students at Fitchburg State College.

Dr. Donohue received his BA degree from the University of Northern Iowa, for the disciplines Physical Education and English. He earned both his Masters and Doctorate degrees at Michigan

State University. His Masters was in the area of Student Personnel Services and Counseling. The Ph.D. was in Higher Education Administration and Labor Relations.

A member of NASPA, the National Association of Student Personnel. Dr. Donohue has served on the Regional Steering Committee as a special advisor on small colleges. He is also on the NASPA planning committee.

Dr. Donohue published an article in the 1977 Journal of College and University Housing entitled "A Student Death: What Do We do?" He was also the editor of "Centennial Chatauquis."

Dr. Donohue will be visiting the college during the week of April 10, and will be here full time soon after that.

President's List

The All-College Council has approved the recommendations of the Educational Affairs Committee for the establishment of a President's List to honor students for consistent high academic achievement.

The student is named to the President's List when he or she has achieved a semester average

of 3.75 or higher for 3 successive semesters. However, should the student drop below 3.75 for a semester even though his cumulative average remains 3.75 or higher, the student is ineligible for the President's List. A description of the President's List will be included in the 1978-79 catalog.

Elections? What elections?

Two weeks ago, elections for Student Government and Class Offices were held. The results of these elections appear, at this admittedly early date, encouraging.

Encouraging, because despite the fact that only 27 per cent of FSC students voted, the majority of elected candidates have proven themselves capable, competent leaders, either through previous positions or responsibility, or through their own outstanding efforts to benefit this school.

The disturbing fact is that the majority of FSC students, 73 per cent did not take advantage of their privilege and responsibility to be informed voters.

In effect, their absence at the voting tables said "Who cares who controls SGA's \$90,000 worth of funds?"

Isn't it time that more than 27 per cent of the campus cared about something? 678 people voted, true. But where was the other three-quarters of the school?

Surely, this "majority" will be asking questions when the next academic year rolls around... "Why doesn't SGA use our hard earned cash to do something useful?" and then it will let the next Women's Week or the Energy Awareness activity go unsupported.

"Why doesn't SGA let us know what they're doing?" SGA will issue bulletins to each mailbox, three-quarters of which will be tossed into the nearest trash receptacle, unread and forgotten.

Forgotten by all but a fourth of the campus—just like elections.

The Editors

Rhetoric to publish weekly

The Rhetoric, in order to serve the College community more fully, will be published on a weekly basis for the remainder of the semester.

We have a limited staff, and welcome any contributions, in the form of ideas, or articles, or even better, people who are willing to go out and cover FSC's news.

There are plenty of things going on around here. Why aren't all of the things that go on always

reported upon in the Rhetoric?

Because: we don't have enough personnel to always send a reporter to an event. We could use more help for this reason more than any other.

Dedication to the paper has been the most common reason for the present staff to continue our attempts to bring a better Rhetoric to FSC.

We can use your help for the remainder of the semester.

Remember, there is next semester to think about, too. Maybe an Editor's position could be yours if you come to the office and talk to us.

You can help the paper! Give it a try. Our meetings are held each Thursday at 1:30. Hopefully, you'll attend the next one and share your ideas with us.

Thanks,

The Rhetoric Staff

Voter registration drive

A massive, coordinated effort to reaffirm a basic element of American democracy - the right to vote - is being mounted throughout New England during April. It is designed to boost springtime voter registration which is also expected to trigger higher participation at the polls in upcoming elections.

The registration drive is being sponsored by the New England Conference of Secretaries of States in cooperation with the New England and Connecticut Valley Chapters of the Public Relations Society of America.

Nationally, only 55.6 percent of the eligible voters participated in the last presidential election. Civic and government organizations vitally interested in the democratic process have united to prevent further decline. Their concern is even more acute

because 48-million U.S. citizens who are eligible to vote are not even registered.

Sponsors of April's registration drive point out that this trend threatens the freedom of choice, one of our country's most sacred rights. Elections will go by default to fewer and fewer voters who will be deciding key issues. The stage is therefore set for government by small organized factions instead of a large voting population.

The drive is expected to have considerable impact as local voter registration plans take shape. Special drives will be held in shopping malls, colleges, and large manufacturing plants, in addition to extended registration hours in many municipalities.

From the N.E.

Voter Registration Drive
Mass. State Committee

Bluegrass

The Middlebury College Activities Board is sponsoring its Fourth Annual Folk and Bluegrass Festival and Competition on April 28 and 29, 1978. All folk and-or bluegrass musicians are welcome. The contest will be limited to the first 30 performers to apply. There will be \$600 in prizes awarded. Deadline for applications is April 15th.

For complete information concerning the Festival and for application forms, write to: Folk and Bluegrass Festival, Box C2540, Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont 05753.



THIS AERIAL VIEW of Fitchburg seems to be a chimney sweep's delight.
(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)

We get letters

On Rep. Noble

Dear Editors,

I thought I'd write you to say how much I enjoyed your articles on Women's Week in the March 16, 1978 edition of the Rhetoric. Very good reviews.

Elaine Noble will be at FSC on May 8 at 2:30 to speak to the Sociology class at the Behavioral Sciences Auditorium. Some students are interested in helping in her campaign. If anyone is interested my wife and I are sponsoring her in this area.

John Clark,
History Dept.

On Library

To The Editor:

Why isn't the library open more hours, and especially during inclement weather? In this institution of higher learning, should we not be able, the majority of the time, to avail ourselves of valuable resource materials?

I am an active student at FSC with much of my weekday hours taken up by classes, meetings and work; I, personally, would really appreciate if the college library were open later at night and earlier and longer on weekends.

Joseph Hehn

Dear Mr. Hehn:

The library hours are Monday thru Thursday 8 to 11, Friday 8 to 5, Saturday 10 to 5 and Sunday 2:30 to 9:30 and are posted weekly in the Campus Calendar, available at the information desk in the lobby of the Hammond Building. According to research of other area college libraries these hours are extremely acceptable if not the most adequate. There are only three other colleges we know of (all three located in Boston) that have a wider range of hours available to their students. Also, these colleges have three to four times as many students (if not more) attending.

We do sympathize with your problem however and mention of your letter and questions have been made known to the directing forces.

Thank you
The Editors

Thanks, but no thanks

To The Editors:

I would like to thank the people who didn't come to candidates hour. That is to say, everyone but the candidates themselves.

I would also like to thank the people who didn't vote. That is, all but twenty-seven percent of the students.

It was through this lack of involvement, that I was able to learn that apathy does not end with high school. It is carried on through, into college years.

I ran for an office and I lost. I don't mind, I have three more years to go. What is upsetting, is the fact that I gave my campaign speech to my opponents and the nominees from the other classes. No one besides the present and future office holders bothered to come.

I have to admit, I wasn't impressed.

If this is an example of the type of reaction I can look forward to for the rest of the time I spend here at Fitchburg State, I'm going to take a long, hard look at some of my reasons for coming here.

Joe Lyman
Freshman

Editor's Response:

Dear Lyman: We are in complete agreement with your statements. Thank you for your letter, and good luck with your "long hard look" at your reasons for staying here (F.S.C. can use you.)

The Editors

On elections

I would like to thank everyone on the Election Committee. Your help was very much appreciated.

Ken Welch

THE
POUSETTE-DART
BAND

Could the Beatles fill Weston?

By CATHY LONDON

A few months ago, a nationally known magazine published a satire called What if the Beatles held a reunion at Shea Stadium and nobody showed up?"

Unfortunately, it looks as though the Beatles won't be holding a reunion at FSC. But they won't be appearing anywhere else, either.

However, you don't have to be the Beatles, or a speaker, or a group giving a performance to

wonder "How does it feel to give of yourself - and to have no-one come and support you?"

If I intended to give a really worthwhile presentation to the people who were interested in what I had to offer - and found that no-one cared, I'd think I'd be more than just a little bit upset. In fact, I'd probably have some serious reservations about returning to this school to try my specialty again, in the event that another invitation was extended.

Thankfully, I've never gone through the experience. But, I wonder, how do these people feel that sign up for presentations that get no support? For events like the one's sponsored by the Energy Awareness, the Women's Coop, the Student Government Association? How must it feel to be a candidate for President of SGA and see no one there except your fellow candidates during candidates Hour?

Far from encouraging, I'm sure. There are many events

scheduled for the coming months. Will they suffer from poor attendance, too?

Consider the Crafts Fair, the "Consumer Alternative Day," "The Smoking Education Forum," and how about "Health Day" to be sponsored by the Nursing Students Association. Also, a Mel Brooks film will be shown for free, along with the latest from Monty Python, later in the month.

Will these be offered only for 5 or 10 interested students that

usually take advantage of these opportunities?

Time will tell. And, so will disillusioned speakers, when they discuss their recent engagements. It would be interesting to hear what they would have to say to each other after an afternoon here.

One can almost hear them whispering, "No John - don't go back. That Weston is really a cavern with no one in it. Let's try the Lecture Hall, it's smaller."

"OK, Paul. I guess you're right. Maybe we can get somebody to announce our mini-concert over the P.A. again, and remember, people can get in free with that ticket from the school paper. Do you see any extra copies we can give away "

Encounter weekend

As of this writing, thirteen people have signed up to participate in the "Encounter Weekend" sponsored by the FSC Psychology Club. On March 28, these persons participated in a few hours of exercises with which they have been introduced to the encounter experience. From April 7-9 they plan to be at Springhill in Ashby.

Partaking in the weekend are the following students: Fran Nadeau, Ann Rutzke, Bud McInerney, Mary Ostiguy, Pat Kelly, Kathy Curran, Cheryl Gilbert, Brian Smith, Harvey Cohen, Jane McLaughlin, Carole LeBanc, Judy Doherty, and Kirsten Carlsen. Cooks for the group will be Katrena Traut and Chris Morgeider. Leading them in self-discovery will be Rick Paine and Gita Widland.

Rick Paine

Rick Paine has been leading personal growth groups for seven years. His eclectic approach to self-discovery utilizes his training background in gestalt, psychodrama, bioenergetics, encounter, fantasy, and meditation. With a commitment to wholistic growth, Rick integrates work with the spiritual, mental, emotional and physical levels.

Rick is currently serving as minister of First Parish Church, Ashby, and is a member of Springhill. He has worked as training director of LUK Crisis Center. Before moving to the Fitchburg area, Rick founded

"New Community Projects," an organization which facilitates communal living and life style change, and "Community Resource Training," an organization funded by the National Institute of Mental Health to train alternative mental health agencies. He was also instrumental in the founding of Project PLACE in Boston where he was Director for two years.

Rick received his Masters of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary, New York. He received further training in counseling, group leading, and active therapies from Boston University, Associates for Human Resources, Psychodrama Institute of Boston, Psychodrama Institute of New England, the Gestalt Institute of New England, and Arica Institute.

Gita Widland

Gita Widland draws on a varied background in education, expressive therapies, crisis counseling, meditation and yoga, and the development of psychic awareness. Her work is based on the assumption that the energy generated in a supportive and feeling-oriented group is a powerful tool for healing the individual and society.

She is currently a member of Springhill, Inc., a collective offering counseling and training for individuals and groups, and she is co-director of the Sunflower Nursery School in Ashby.

Faculty activities

President Vincent J. Mara has been invited by the Massachusetts Legislature to participate in the upcoming Citizens' Legislative Seminar. Dr. Mara is among 40 people from throughout the Commonwealth to be invited to participate in the Seminar.

Dr. Marilyn A. McCaffrey (English Dept.) has been elected to the Executive Board of the Conference on English Education, the national professional organization for professors of English Education.

Dr. Harold W. Melvin (Behavior Science Dept.) was recently appointed to the nominating committee of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. The Society is a national group of some 1500 sociologists and psychologists.

Professor John Burke (Humanities Dept.) has accepted the 1978 International Research and Exchanges Board Award sponsored by the American Council of Learned Societies and the Social Science Research Council for study at Moscow University during the Summer 1978. The exchange conducted under the auspices of the USA-USSR Cultural Exchange Agreement involves approximately 25 scholars from each of the two countries. Professor Burke will carry out a program of study and research. It is his second trip to the Soviet Union.

The Ohio State University has announced it will publish

Professor John Burke's (Humanities Dept.) monograph "Formalist Reflections of Zamiatin's Petersburg Tales" in the next addition of The Ohio State Papers. Also the journal Film Review has announced that a special addition to the magazine will feature a long translation by Professor Burke of a previously unpublished speech by the famous Soviet film director Sergei Eisenstein with an introduction by Professor Pasquale Micciche of the History Department.

Dr. Donald Schmidt (Biology Dept.) and Norman Fredette (Physics Dept.) were judges at the eleventh annual Science Fair held at The Broomfield School, Harvard, Mass. Dr. Schmidt judged the Biology Research projects and Mr. Fredette judged the physics research projects.

Dr. Harry Semerjian (Humanities Dept.) was a judge for the regional Massachusetts Drama Festival in Wayland. He also attended a one day conference in Philadelphia on "Creative Arts as a Means of Mainstreaming Children with Special Needs." In addition, Dr. Semerjian attended the three day Northeast Regional Alliance for the Arts in Education Conference in Boston and did an in service workshop for Lancaster teachers on the Arts in the Curriculum.

Dr. Phyllis H. Green (Nursing Dept.) presented an all day Workshop on "Depression: It's Management" to a group of professional nurses at St. Anselm's College, Manchester, New Hampshire on March 14. The 125 nurses are employed in school systems, nursing homes, and psychiatric hospitals throughout New Hampshire.

Dr. Donald Schmidt (Biology Dept.) organized a metric education informational workshop for the North Central Massachusetts Association of Science Supervisors. It was held at Gardner High School, March 21. Mr. Evan Johnston, Northeast Regional Metric Office was the guest speaker.

Through an inadvertent error, Bob Thomas (Staff Assistant, Instructional Media Dept. was not credited for his major role in the production of the video tape for counseling skills for Resident Aides which was mentioned in the last Newsletter. The Dean of Students' staff recognizes and appreciates his major role in this undertaking and regrets the error which led to his not being mentioned.

Smoking education seminar

On Monday, April 3rd, the Student Health Service and the American Cancer Society will sponsor a "Smoking Education Seminar" from 2:30-4 p.m., in room G-06, in the Campus Center.

The seminar will include a lecture by Dr. Rayai, a radiologist from Nashoba Hospital, a showing of the film, "Let's Call it Quits," and a demonstration of "Smoking Sam."

Student Health Service Personnel Lynn Guillette and Debbie Woolard are now planning additional activities that will ensure an interesting and educational experience for everyone who attends the "Smoking Education Seminar."

"When told I had cancer of the larynx, my reaction was: what good is a lawyer without a voice?"

Frank Purcell, Attorney



"That was nine years ago. In less than two months after the operation, I was back at work and talking. Today, I do everything I did before. Even try cases in court."

"All of this is thanks to early detection, effective treatment, and the extremely beneficial voice training program offered by the American Cancer Society."

"I've won my battle. But the battle against cancer goes on. So, please, have regular checkups. And give to the American Cancer Society. We want to wipe out cancer in your lifetime."

American Cancer Society

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A WINDOW WITH AN OPINION.

(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)

**THE
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FSC hosts sociology conference

Dear Friend:

You are invited to attend the 10th Annual Intercollegiate Sociology Conference at Fitchburg State College. "Consumer Alternatives: Social and Technological Change" will be held Saturday, April 1, 1978 in the college Campus Center (Hammond Building) starting at 9 a.m.

Frances Fox Piven, co-author of 'Regulating the Poor' and a newly published book 'Poor People's Movements: Why They Fail, How They Succeed' will be

the conference keynote speaker.

The "sixties is looked back on as a decade of turbulence where social change efforts succeeded in varying degrees in attaining their goals to alter societal norms and the institutions which buttressed these popular values. The seventies seem relatively mild compared to the impact of the sixties, even though many of the movements of the last decade continue to have a residual impact today.

Some, perceiving our society in

a period of calm and stability are proclaiming that social change efforts are not popular - America wants to forget the sixties! Others, pointing to an impending crisis in the United States - a failing economy, breakdown of community identity and spirit, persistent unemployment, urban decay, and a failing popularity of society's economic and governmental institutions, are suggesting that there is another period of turmoil fast approaching.

The problems mentioned above are already bringing responses from many scattered groups of people not normally in the mainstream of the decision-making processes within our controlling institutions. These responses appear to be the seeds of yet another social upheaval, perhaps exceeding the ferment of the sixties.

Who are the people behind these efforts? What kind of change are they talking about? Are these efforts indeed gaining

popularity? What will they mean in our future as a nation of people who work and play within the context of the institutions which surround us, and of which we are a part?

The conference is free of charge. Food will be available in the Campus Center Cafeteria at a nominal fee.

Sincerely,
Deborah Wordel,
President
Fitchburg State College
Sociology Club

Celebrating the tenth consecutive intercollegiate conference, the Fitchburg State College Sociology Club is bringing together the people behind several progressive campus organizations to design conference.

Organizations sponsoring "Consumer Alternatives" include the Sociology Club, Student Energy Awareness Group, Biology Club, Nursing Students' Association and the FSC Food Coop, all student organizations of Fitchburg State College.

CONFERENCE AGENDA

Registration and coffee at 9:00 a.m.

Welcome

9:30-10:00

Commuter's Cafeteria

Dr. Vincent J. Mara, President of Fitchburg State College. Robert Calway, President of the FSC Student Government Association.

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

10:00-11:00

"The Roots of Social Change"

Commuter's Cafeteria

Frances Fox Piven, co-author of Poor People's Movements: Why They Fail, How They Succeed, and Regulating the Poor; and social activist.

WORKSHOPS A

11:00-NOON

Commuter's Cafeteria

Robert Ross, former organizer of migrant workers, former officer of Students for a Democratic Society, and currently Chairperson of the Dept. of Sociology and Social Anthropology at Clark University.

I. "Contemporary Social Change Organizations"

II. "Community-Union Organizing Around Health Care"

Room G 04-05

William Pastreich, longtime community organizer and

currently staff director of Cape Cod Health Care Coalition and organizer for Mass. Hospital Workers.

III. "Women and Work"

Lecture Hall

A representative of the staff of Nine to Five, an organization of women office workers and a local (No. 925) of the Service Employees' International Union.

Lunch will be served between 12:00 and 12:45 by Interstate United in the Commuter's Cafeteria. Workshops will be held during this period in Lecture Hall and Room GG04-05 on health and nutrition sponsored by the Nursing Students Association and the FSC Food Coop.

WORKSHOPS B

12:45-1:45

I. "The Role of Economic Cooperatives in a Changing Society."

Lecture Hall

David Maughan, Director of

Economic Development Cooperatives at University of Mass.

II. "The Future of Wind Energy"

Commuter's Cafeteria

Herman Drees, Vice-President of the American Wind Energy Association

III. "Sex Roles and Social Change"

Room G04-5

Theresa Twombly, Instructor of courses on Sex Roles at Fitchburg State College and Social Change at University of Northeastern.

Throughout the conference several displays and information tables will be set up on many facets of economic, political, and technological change. A complete listing of exhibits appears

CONFERENCE CLOSING

1:45-3:00

Exhibits, information

1. New England Coalition on Nuclear Pollution Inc. "The Great New England Energy Show" A mobile show promoting alternatives to nuclear power.

2. EXXON - A major oil company to answer questions about our fossil fuel era.

3. Mass. Energy Policy Office - In conjunction with the Solar Action office and Mass-Pirg, they will be presenting information on conservation of energy and solar energy as an alternative.

4. Clamshell Alliance - bringing to you the unheard of, or unexplored problems associated with nuclear power.

5. Mobilization for Survival - Promotes a nationwide

moratorium on nuclear power and also redistributing of our defense budget into more social needs programs.

6. Solar Energy Products - A local distributor of the latest solar energy products.

7. New England Solar Energy Association - Working for the people, to present you the facts of solar energy.

8. Energy Awareness - Some FSC students displaying latest research about our fossil fuels and alternatives to them.

9. Geography Club - People working with the present energy problem in relation to our nation's geography.

10. Biology Club - Actual samples of your soil to be tested

by their soil test clinic, giving soil content breakdowns. They will also give tips for home gardening.

11. Food Coop - Will answer questions on the formation of our Co-op, and try to put forth some of the latest views on nutrition. Many food samples prepared by co-op individuals will be available.

12. Nursing Honor Society - Will promote the benefits of good health and well-being through physical fitness.

13. Feens Woodstoves - Promoting the principles and safety of some current woodstoves.

14. There are possibilities of more exhibits and information!

NEBHE info available

The New England Board of Higher Education (NEBHE) has announced that information concerning undergraduate and graduate programs available under the New England Regional Student Program has been sent to transfer and admissions officers at all New England public colleges and universities and to academic and public libraries. With this information, New England residents who are considering either applying for graduate study or transferring as an undergraduate student to a public college or university

within New England can determine whether they are eligible to attend an institution outside their home state and be charged a reduced tuition rate.

Under the Regional Student Program, approximately 500 undergraduate and 300 graduate programs of study are available in the 1978-79 academic year at 85 public universities, state colleges, and two-year colleges and institutes throughout New England. The tuition savings under the program can range from \$300 to over \$2,000 per year, depending upon the state and type of institution.

Individual copies of the undergraduate or graduate catalogue may be obtained from the New England Board of Higher Education, 40 Grove Street, Wellesley, Massachusetts 02181.

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FRANCES FOX PIVEN, keynote speaker for the 10th annual intercollegiate sociology conference has been credited nationally as an incisive critic of U.S. welfare policies and was instrumental in the development of strategy for national welfare rights movement in the 1960s. Her address will be "The roots of social change."

(Photo for the Rhetoric)

Plutonium into plowshares

The colored balloons made a charming picture as they drifted across the hot Colorado sky, but they carried a terrifying message: "... if you have found this balloon, you live downwind from the Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant, which has ... released radioactive materials into the atmosphere several times in the past 20 years - radiation that is spread by the same wind currents that brought this balloon to your area."

The balloons were released in July, 1976 by a group of demonstrators standing on the grounds of the Rocky Flats plant sixteen miles from Denver, Colorado. This spring, on the 29th and 30th of April there will be another larger demonstration at the plant. Times have changed in the last two years. There is a nation-wide wave of concern over nuclear weapons and nuclear energy, and it is expected that the 1978 demonstration will draw students and anti-nuclear activists from across the country.

Nuclear Crossroads

The Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant is known as the "nuclear crossroads" of the nation because it receives plutonium produced by nuclear reactors and turns it into "triggers" (explosive devices) for all U.S. hydrogen bombs. To its critics, it thus provides the perfect example of the dangerous

relationship between nuclear energy and nuclear weapons. During the last 20 years, Rocky Flats has been the site of more than 200 fires and other accidents, some of which have released plutonium and other radioactive material into the soil, water and air of the Denver metropolitan area. These accidents have motivated groups, a law suit by local farmers who seek to stop further contamination of their land, and a formal recommendation from Colorado Governor, Richard Lamm, that the plant be phased out of operation.

Demonstration

The April 29-30 demonstration is being planned by the Rocky Flats Action Group and two national organizations, the Fellowship of Reconciliation and the American Friends Service Committee. It will take place on the first anniversary of the Seabrook anti-nuclear occupation and is endorsed by the Clamshell Alliance. Many of the groups involved in the Rocky Flats action are members of the Mobilization for Survival, a national coalition of peace, social justice and environmental groups, which has been organizing and encouraging similar demonstrations across the country in preparation for the United Nations Special Session on Disarmament, May 23-June 26, in

New York City.

Andrew Young

On Saturday, May 27, the Mobilization plans a massive international demonstration in Dag Hammarskjold Plaza to support world disarmament. Earlier in the same week, the Fellowship of Reconciliation will open the Plowshare, a discussion center and coffee house, in the Church Center for the United Nations directly across the street from the U.N. Ambassador. Andrew Young has accepted an invitation to make the opening address at the Plowshare. During the five-week U.N. session, the Plowshare will provide a meeting place for U.N. delegates and members of the public and a forum for lectures, discussions and workshops on disarmament and related subjects. Throughout the Special Session, the F.O.R. will also sponsor a disarmament vigil which will include music, street theater, disarmament petition signing.

The F.O.R. will be glad to furnish further information on Rocky Flats, the Plowshare, and Mobilization programs. Write to Endangered Human Species Program, Box 271, Nyack, N.Y. 10960.

Spree Day

The Programs Committee has begun organizing Spree Day for April 27 in the athletic field on Pearl Hill Rd. They have been contacting people, arranging volunteers, and organizing all the other details for this all-campus event. Part of the day is going to be a New Games experience, for which faculty or students are needed to train as referees April 21 - 22, and to referee on Spree Day. New Games is a re-examination of traditional sport, games, and attitude toward play. It is an experience based on interaction, fun, and personal expression in the context of playing games. New Games is also pertinent to Psychology majors, Physical Education majors, and others who deal with experimental counseling or recreational activities, especially in groups.

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Women and the law

The third annual conference on Women and the Law: What Are Your Rights? will be held at Boston University School of Law on Saturday, April 1, 1978. The conference is presented for those who have little or no legal background in the hope of educating and helping women understand their legal rights and obligations. The keynote address will be delivered by Judge Margaret Ann Burnham, the first Black woman to serve on a Massachusetts court.

The 27 workshops offered are designed to reflect the broad concerns of women in the Boston area. A few of the topics included are: separation and divorce, health issues, employment discrimination, battered women, law and Spanish community (conducted in both Spanish and

English), law and the older woman, credit and wills.

The one dollar registration donation includes lunch for those who pre-register by March 25th. Day care will be provided for all free of charge. Walk-in registration for the 9:30 a.m. workshops begins at 8:45 a.m. The keynote speech is scheduled for 12 noon and afternoon workshops begin at 2:10 p.m. There will be a wine and cheese reception following the afternoon workshops.

Pre-registration forms or further information may be obtained by contacting the Boston University Women's Law Association, 765 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts, 02215, or calling (617) 353-3169.

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The music in our bones

Richie Lecea, born in Long Beach, California in 1946, has created an aura and a solo performance bound to raise your energy level. FSC students who attended the National Entertainment Convention in Boston last November will shine if you ask them how Richie Lecea radiates. Of the many performers at the convention, Richie Lecea will long be remembered, not only because of his dynamic guitar playing, but also because of his fantastic personality. And

when the two are combined, whether he is doing a smooth song or an up-tempo song, his musical aura will engulf you with all the emotions of an ocean.

Richie has recorded 2 albums, "Magic" and "It's All Done With Mirrors." At the age of ten, his father, a violinist, gave Richie his first guitar. During high school, Richie played in a band at all the high school dances, and continued in another band after high school. While writing, singing and playing guitar,

Richie's goal was to develop a solo act that had to be great" before he would be satisfied. One of his songs, "She's a Bad Woman," was followed up with a recording by Chubby Checker. At colleges and concerts all over the U.S., Richie has highlighted performances with his sensitivity and music.

Along with Richie Lecea, will be our Fitchburg area's favorite homespun singer, Jane Miller. This is an opportunity Jane has been waiting many months for

and it's finally happening. Filling the end-of-the winter-blues with fine music and warm, amusing chatter, she will open the concert at 8 p.m. Jane's fluid jazz guitar, originals, and her individuality complementing other contemporary musicians, will offer an amiable and stimulating fit to our concert with Richie Lecea.

Tickets will be sold starting March 27, one for \$2.00 and two for \$3.00. If you do anything this spring, don't miss this blossoming of music April 3rd in Weston Auditorium.



Once upon a Spree Day

By KIRSTIN CARLSON

Spree Day last year was wrapped together in a frenzy of three weeks' worth of rushing and organizing to get everything prepared for that bright day in May. This year Spree Day is already in the making, in an effort to avoid last minute rushes and, "Oh, wow, I forgot to plug in the electricity for the band!" With Bill Twomey's undying initiative last year, having rubbed off on Mike Tarmey and others this year, it may prove to be another fine day of music, fun, and a campus-load of people to enjoy the whole experience of each other in the sun.

Meetings are held every Thursday at 2 p.m. in the SGA office with the Programs Committee for Spree Day. We are searching for volunteers of all college walks of life to help us prepare for it. It has been

scheduled for Apr. 27, Thursday of Senior Week, from 1 p.m. to sunset. There's still a search for all clubs and organizations who want to help fund Spree Day, as it costs thousands of dollars. Anyone who wants to help is so welcome!

We're looking for a new name for Spree Day, too. Arrangements are being made for 5c Extra to delight our dancing feet and lyrical minds. To all who have heard 5c before and all who have not, be assured that they are really excited about this spring happening, and so are we. The other excitable event for Spree Day is the New Games Play Event. Some people experienced it Stay-at-School Weekend with 'fun' written all over their faces. This event is a re-examination of traditional sports and relative to students and faculty of all majors on

campus.

With this event is an opportunity to participate in the Referee Training Session scheduled for April 22 and 23, and to referee the games on Spree Day. Since only 25 to 30 people can participate in the training there will be applications available in the SGA office until April 19, to be returned to Box 1619, by the same day. This is a wonderful opportunity for students and faculty to be trained in experimental group dynamics and fun. Watch for future posters and newsletters, too. And if you aren't a volunteer, we hope you volunteer your fun on Spree Day.

P.S. Along with Skip and Proud at the Coffeehouse April 2, is an open hour from 8 to 9 p.m. when any student-musician is welcome to come and play his-her instrument. Come for some FSC - spun music.

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Trober, Magiera exhibit work

"The Printed Image," an exhibition of woodcuts and photographs will open at the Campus Center Gallery at Fitchburg State College on Tuesday, April 18, at 2:30 p.m.

The artists, Edward F. Trobec of Boston and Mary Anne Magiera of Dudley, Mass. employ two historically diverse printing techniques - the woodcut and the photograph - to express their impressions of the world in which we all live.

The most common elements of

urban and rural life -- people, places and things -- provide the theme for the 12 woodcuts and 35 photographs.

Trobec, born and raised in Chicago, Ill., is generally known for his paintings which have been exhibited extensively.

Inspired by the conglomerate of busy sights and sounds of Boston and Chicago, Trobec uses the woodcut medium to stop some of the action for closer examination.

Prior to joining the State College

System as a Graphic Artist, Trobec built and administered the initial resident artists' gallery at the Boston Center for the Arts and tutored children and adults in the fine arts at the Center.

Trobec has exhibited his paintings in one-man shows at the University of Massachusetts-Boston Library and at the Boston Repertory Theatre.

He has been included in group showings at the Boston Center for the Arts, Crystal Art Gallery,

Prudential Center and the Children's Art Center.

The woodcuts, just completed this year, had not been shown publicly before February when the show began its tour of the State College System.

Born and raised in the Dudley-Webster area of Massachusetts, Mary Anne Magiera turns to the less hectic rural environment for inspiration.

The long sandy beaches of Cape Cod and the rambling countryside of Vermont are the most prominent subjects of her photographs.

Ms. Magiera has been employed as Education reporter for

the 'Worcester Telegram,' Worcester, Mass. and as a reporter-photographer for the 'Norwich Bulletin,' Norwich, Conn. and the 'Webster Times,' Webster, Mass.

Although privately collected and sold throughout New England, Ms. Magiera's photographs have not been exhibited publicly.

The exhibit can be viewed 2:30 - 6:30 p.m. daily through April 28 at the Campus Center Gallery, Fitchburg State College, free of charge.

For more information, call the Campus Center Information Desk, 345-2024 or 345-2151 Ext. 132.

Joy of Movement

Several interesting trends have been noted at The Joy of Movement Center, the country's largest dance and movement school of its kind, which is now gearing up for its fifth year spring term, beginning April 24.

According to Ken Estridge, founder and director of the Cambridge, Watertown and Boston based schools, the number of men enrolled in classes is 10 times larger this year than in 1973 when the Center first opened its doors. The increase in men's enrollments is, Estridge feels, due to a heightened awareness of dance in general, and to the recent flurry of dance oriented films from Hollywood. "Not since the days of Gene Kelly and Fred Astaire have men been shown as serious dancers in the movies. We are just now on the brink of a new era

for dance in America."

Disco is the fastest growing area of study at Joy of Movement, but adds Estridge, all forms of social dancing are growing almost as quickly. Swing and Ballroom styles are steeply on the rise, with more people enrolling as couples. People are changing what they do with their time. "There is a rise in physical fitness activities all across the nation. We also have many students in the Classical areas of study. In the fall we had about 650 students of Ballet, now we're up to 1000.

The Center's newest location at 393 Boylston St., Boston, draws almost exclusively from the downtown business community. In just three months of operation there, it has attracted almost 1,000 people per week. In Cambridge, at 536 Mass. Ave., there is

more of a student oriented population, with many people taking not 1, but three, four or five classes each week. In Watertown, at 23 Main St., our studios have a sub-urban clientele. All kinds of people are doing it.

An estimated 2,500 people will attend Joy Center's Open Houses, set for Sat., April 15 at 536 Mass. Ave., Central Sq., Cambridge, and Sun., April 16 at 393 Boylston St., Boston. Open to the public, free of charge, the two day event features, performances and demonstrations of classes ranging from Yoga to Disco dancing.

The 10-week term at the Joy of Movement Center runs from April 24 through July 1. For more detailed information please call 492-4680.



FSC'S POPULAR COFFEEHOUSE and Pub singer, Jane Miller of Fitchburg will open the April 3 concert at Weston Auditorium. See Jane and Richie Lecea at 8 p.m. Monday.

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FRIDAYS AT 8

Coming Events

Friday, March 31
Sound and Light Show:
"Cosmic Radiance" 8 p.m. Every
Friday and Saturday through
April 29. Wallace Planetarium.
Admission charged.

Saturday, April 1
Ice Show: "Festival On Ice" by
the Wallace Figure Skating Club,
2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. Wallace Civic
Center. Admission Charged.

Monday, April 3
Concert: "Richie Lecea" 8
p.m. Weston Auditorium. Ad-
mission. Tickets on sale at the
Information Desk.

Saturday, April 8: Film:
"Silent Movie" starring Mel
Brooks and Dom DeLuise 3:30 & 7
& 9:30 in the Campus Center
Lecture Hall. Free. Sponsored by
the Programs Committee.

Sunday, April 9: Concert:
"Thayer Conservatory Orchestra
and Chorus" 3 p.m. Weston Aud.
Admission charged. More in-
formation at the Fitchburg
Public Library.

Coffeehouse: "George
Murray" 8-11 p.m. Campus
Center Pub, Sponsored by
Programs Committee.

Monday, April 10: Special One-

Day Exhibition: "Hera" in the
Campus Center G-Lobby, 10 a.m.
2 p.m., Free. Sponsored by the
Campus Center.

Wednesday, April 12:
Discussion: "Geothermal
Energy" in the Campus Center
Lecture Hall, 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Sponsored by the Student Energy
Awareness Group. Free.

Thursday, April 13: Noon
Recital James Taylor, Organist
12:05, Christ Church, Main St.
Free.

Friday, April 14: "What Is the
Future of Housing in the Mon-
tachusett Region?" by Ed Black-
man, 7:30-9:30 p.m. at Adventure
House, 80 South St. Free. For
more information: 345-6826.

Sunday, April 16: Poetry &
Dance: Dona Stein and the
Create And Construct Dance
Theatre will perform at the
Fitchburg Public Library, 2:30
p.m. Free.

THE
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Deadline dates

The Rhetoric will now be published on a weekly basis. The staff encourages input of all types and is announcing the forthcoming deadlines and subsequent publication dates. But before you read them, think about this:

Do you like to draw? Maybe your work could be published. Bring all your samples next time you're near the office.

Are you a closet poet? Get out of your closet and share your favorite works with people who are interested in using it to improve the college paper. We need you, but you've got to be willing to share those hidden artistic talents.

Where are all the pensive, serious, intellectual analysts of the philosophical implications of the metaphysical relationship between Man (or Woman) and College Life. Imagine... you are experiencing something utterly unique... in this entire universe. You, lucky dog, are a student at FSC. (That topic alone should bring ten analytic masterpieces from our Philosophy buffs.) Just imagine having the chance to debate, in PRINT, the timeless question, "IS FSC a School?" If you don't think that it is, well, Tell us what you think FSC is. (We'd love to know the real answer.)

And of course, we couldn't ever forget the segment of the campus

population known quite commonly as... instructors. They are also called teacher, but we prefer to see collegiate at times and refer to them as Professors. We haven't heard from too many, unfortunately.

Why? Please don't suggest that they could suffer from stage fright at the thought of having their names, articles, and photographs printed in their own newspaper. (Our heartfelt apologies to Terry Grabar, who will probably long be known in intimate circles as "Jerry," due to a typographical error beyond the staff's immediate control, in the last issue. But Dr. Grabar has recovered now, and so have we - after the initial shock of such an error appearing in the Women's Week edition.)

Please. By whatever title you are known as, Freshman, Senior, Teacher, Professor, Staff, Student, forget the formalities and write to us and for us. This paper is YOURS in spite of any bylines you see. (Hopefully, the next byline you see will be your own.)

Whatever your talent is, we can find a way to channel it so that more of our college community can be heard and seen. You are an individual, step out of the crowd and be heard.

Hope to hear from you soon.

The Rhetoric Staff

DEADLINES

March 30, noon.
April 6, noon.
April 13, noon.
April 20, noon.
April 27, noon.

PUBLICATION DATES

April 6.
April 13.
April 20.
April 27.
May 4.

Grant awards available

The Office of Research and Development in the Department of Labor announces that it will fund a limited number of grants for postdoctoral research.

The awards, none of which will exceed \$15,000 are awarded to

support and encourage research analyzing data from the National Longitudinal Surveys (NLS) that is likely to have significant implications for employment and training policies and programs. Proposals must be postmarked

or received no later than May 1, 1978. Grants under this competition will be announced on or before June 30, 1978.

For further information, contact Dean Francis Pilecki.

Poetry Award

The English Department is again asking students who are Juniors to submit poems in competition for a prize of \$100. This is a wonderful prize and Juniors should give it a try.

The Matti N. Antila Poetry Award is an annual prize of \$100 awarded to a junior student at Fitchburg State College for a poem. The award is made possible by a generous gift to the college from Lauri and Signe Sipila in memory of Signe's parents, Matti N. and Fanny P. Antila.

A panel of five judges from the English Department will evaluate poems submitted to the Department each year no later than March 31st. The poems are to be written on a subject of universal significance such as nature, and must be substantial in content and skillful in form. A length of approximately 125 words or more is required. The judges will select one poem as prize-winner to be announced no later than May 1st.

Dr. William Barker,
Chairman, English Dept.

Attention!

There is a standing committee of the Student Government Association known as the Political Action Committee.

Our purpose is to inform the student body of important political matters that effect each and every one of us.

Since the upcoming Gubernatorial Election is an important concern of all of us, this committee has asked all the candidates to come and speak at Fitchburg State College. So far we have received confirmation that Edward F. King, Republican Candidate for Governor, will speak on May 9, at 7 p.m. in Weston Auditorium.

Poetry by Kirt

No one and Me

No one knows me,
Not even me,
No one see's me,
As I see me,
No one need feel for me,
It's really not for me,
No one is as free,
As I wish to be.

Gamble

Go ahead and roll those dice,
Go ahead and roll them twice,
You know, it's really a shame,
That you should even try this game,
You might win, but probably you'll lose,
For it's not for you, but the dice to choose,
You should wait till tomorrow,
And past thru times of love and sorrow,
Sometime, if all the paths should close,
You'll win this game no matter what you'll roll.

Tiny Rats

Tiny rats run in your maze,
It may take you minutes, hours, or days,
Tiny rats run thru this maze,
The way we've taught you throughout these long days,
Try not to take a wrong turn,
We really do care how well you have learned,
Relax, we all make mistakes,
Due to a lack in cognitive intake,
But in the end we all pay,
For all the little rats that go astray.

Future energy technologies

Fusion Power, Solar Energy, Increased Use of Coal and Fossil Fuels, More Nuclear Reactors, Space Based Solar Power, Future Energy Employment Outlook. These are among the future energy topics which will be discussed at a Special Conference, "Energy Technology: Meeting Tomorrow's Needs?" which will be held at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Student Center on April 14, 1978.

Sponsored by the Student Program Division of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics and the Forum for the Advancement of Students in Science and Technology, the Conference is designed to act as a forum for the discussion of technical options in energy for the future. Special panel presentations and discussion groups will be held to discuss potential energy sources and their economic and environmental impacts.

Speakers and discussion groups will cover such topics as: Future Energy Supply and Demands: What are the Options?; Review of Present Alternatives; Fossil Fuels; Nuclear Power; Solar Energy; Geothermal Energy; Wind Energy; a special session on Space Based Solar Power-Systems; and Future Energy Alternatives - Where do we Head?

Confirmed speakers for the symposium includes: Dr. Peter E. Glaser, Vice President, Arthur D. Little, Inc., Originator of the Concept of space based solar power stations; Lionel S. Johns, Program Manager, Energy Programs, Office of Technology

Assessment, U.S. Congress; Lawrence Levy, Director, Northeast Solar Energy Center, Northern Energy Corporation; Alan McGowan, Director, Scientists Institute for Public Information; Dr. John P. Longwell, Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Dr. David Rose, Professor, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Richard L. Rudman, Director, Planning Staff, Electric Power Research Institute; Alan Skopp, Research and Engineering, Exxon, and Gordon R. Woodcock, Research and Engineering, Boeing Aerospace Company.

Directed primarily toward college and university students, the symposium also welcomes participation by interested professionals and faculty members. A wide cross section of academic disciplines will be invited including students in engineering science, business and communications.

Registration fee for the Conference is \$10.00, which includes symposium materials, lunch and an evening banquet.

For further information contact: Jeff Irons, AIAA Student Programs, 1290 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10019, (212) 581-4300 Ext. 226 or the AIAA Massachusetts Institute of Technology Student Branch, (617) 253-2278-4926.

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HERE COMES THE SUN! The Pru wakes up for

another day.

(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)



Mrs. Betteridge

Coordinator of children's service

The appointment of Arlene A. Betteridge as the Coordinator of Children Services - Drug Programs for the North Central Area has been announced by Barbara Boisseau, President of the North Central Area Board N.C.A.B. for Mental Health and Mental Retardation, and John H. Simsarian, Area Director for Mental Health and Mental Retardation, Department of Mental Health.

In making this announcement, Simsarian noted that, "Mrs. Betteridge is well qualified with respect to her past administrative skills and direct experience with youth, as well as her past experience on citizen boards."

As Coordinator, Mrs. Betteridge is responsible for coordination of existing programs, program development, on-going needs assessment, and monitoring and evaluation of area Mental Health Children's and Drug Programs. She will also be involved with funding applications review, on-going work with the North Central Area Board for Mental Health and Mental Retardation Children's and Drug Sub-committees, and provision of technical assistance to programs where appropriate.

In addition, Mrs. Betteridge, will be working closely with other area professional agencies dealing with children and drug issues. It is her hope to become part of a strong inter-agency network so that a solid and effective service delivery system is continued and expanded.

Prior to coming to work for the Department of Mental Health, Mrs. Betteridge, who holds an

M.A. in Psychology and Counseling, worked for five years as Executive Director for "The Horizon," a multi-service, community-based mental health program in the Marlboro-Westboro area. As founding Director, Mrs. Betteridge, worked intensively with youth in a prevention and drug-treatment modality of service delivery. Mrs. Betteridge says "She is committed to the conceptual philosophy of Self-Help, wherein there is a cooperative, interdependent working relationship of professional, para-professional, and the consumer that translates itself into active, concrete services for the consumer."

In addition to her administrative responsibilities at "The Horizon," Mrs. Betteridge was actively involved in her community as a citizen on the Marlboro-Westboro Area Board for Mental Health and Mental Retardation. She served for two years as a member on that Board and one year as Executive Vice-President. In addition, she was Chairperson of the nominating committee, and helped formulate policy for that committee. As a member of that Board, Mrs. Betteridge also served as the Area's Regional liaison.

For the past two years, Mrs. Betteridge has enjoyed living in Barre with her husband Russell and her son Jacob. In these two years, she has been an active member of the Gardner-Athol Mental Health Association Board of Directors, and she initiated and designed an Orientation Program for that board. She was also liaison to the Gardner-Athol

Area Board for Mental Health and Mental Retardation.

When explaining her philosophy toward her new position, she states, "I am deeply committed to the concept of community and to the basic dignity and ability of each individual to determine what is important in his/her life. My work involves a direct responsibility and determination to help others decide what is important in their lives and how to find solutions to those priorities. As a citizen and worker in the central part of the State, I look forward to a cooperative working relationship that will further expand existing programs and provide needed services where there are gaps."

Mrs. Betteridge will work from the Area Office of Mental Health and Mental Retardation located on the Burbank Hospital grounds, Nichols Road, Fitchburg. The North Central Area includes the towns and cities of: Ashby, Ayer, Berlin, Bolton, Clinton, Fitchburg, Groton, Harvard, Lancaster, Leominster, Lunenburg, Pepperell, Shirley, Sterling, and Townsend.

Mrs. Betteridge further states, "I urge any citizen having in-pot as to children's and drug programs to contact me at the Area Office either by writing to the North Central Area Office for Mental Health & Mental Retardation, Nichols Road, Fitchburg, Mass. 01420, or by calling 343-6901. You are important, we need your in-pot."

Personals

Evol.

Hurry up and get better! We need your dummyming expertise here in the Pit. (Dan's pipe won't light without your spark)

Your Co-Conspirator

Mary Lee (The Closet Drinker)
When can I sign up for "Volunteer of the Year?" (If I don't win, I'll tell Aunt Nell all about your nasty fetish. Tab cans - of all the things to be hooked on!)

Xerox

Scandal Sheets Sue.

So you gave up St. Patty's Day? I always knew that living with the Pride of the French Foreign Legion would deflower your Wild Irish Rose.

Irish Spring

Big C-

You're a champ in or out of Academic circles. Keep up the good work. I'll ask Maxine to give you a day of rest - no phone calls from Ashby. Thanks for all your help and care. (My regards to the seven sisters.)

Sincerely, Little C.

Betty the Ticket Fixer.

Are you still doing favors? Since your "gorgeous" car is now the pits, how about steering your skateboard my way once in a while? (I would still accept a lift

if you were so inclined.) Just wait 'till softball starts.

Semi-Weak

I'm looking forward to the softball season. You'll make it! (Just remember you can't stare into the outfield all day.) Look at the pitcher for the right signals, you won't strike out.

Good Luck, Pat.
A Fan.

Who can identify?

"I'll have an Amoretto straight up, my dear." You are.. 5'2", cute in a literary sort of way, often seen aiding the financially disabled, at home, at the local tavern, or the tavern away from the local one, into leather (note tan jacket), often shocked to read the personals, belongs on ways and means. Native land, cold Scandinavian retreat. Warms up on West Coast. Would be missed if you became a full-time California girl. Interviewed by established writer... No end to rave reviews.

Me

To my Freres:

... hearts heavy with the weight of bondage; and souls hungry for the Spirit; and thoughts thirsting for Wisdom...

This space contributed by the publisher.

Mass PIRG

The Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group (Mass PIRG) praised the State Department of Public Utilities for its decision last week denying Boston Edison two-thirds of its \$73 million rate increase request. Citing Company mismanagement and inefficiency as the principal basis for their decision, the DPU was also highly critical of Edison's construction plans for future nuclear power plants.

Mass PIRG was grouped with the Mass Law Reform Institute and Mass Fair Share as consumer group intervenors in opposition to the rate hike. Other groups such as the Boston Clamshell Alliance also took part in the hearings. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts was represented by the Department of the Attorney General.

87 Cents More

The DPU decision significantly affects the amount of rate increase that will be reflected in the utility bills of Edison customers. In dollars and cents, the average customer will pay 87c more a month, rather than the \$5 monthly increase sought by the original Edison request.

Mass PIRG staff attorney Bob Gaines commented, "The DPU decision is a message to all public utilities that customers will not be expected to bear the cost of inept company management and unwise construction policies. Hopefully, public utilities will now take a closer look at the way they spend their existing finances, before they hold out their hands and ask the state to approve additional rate increases."

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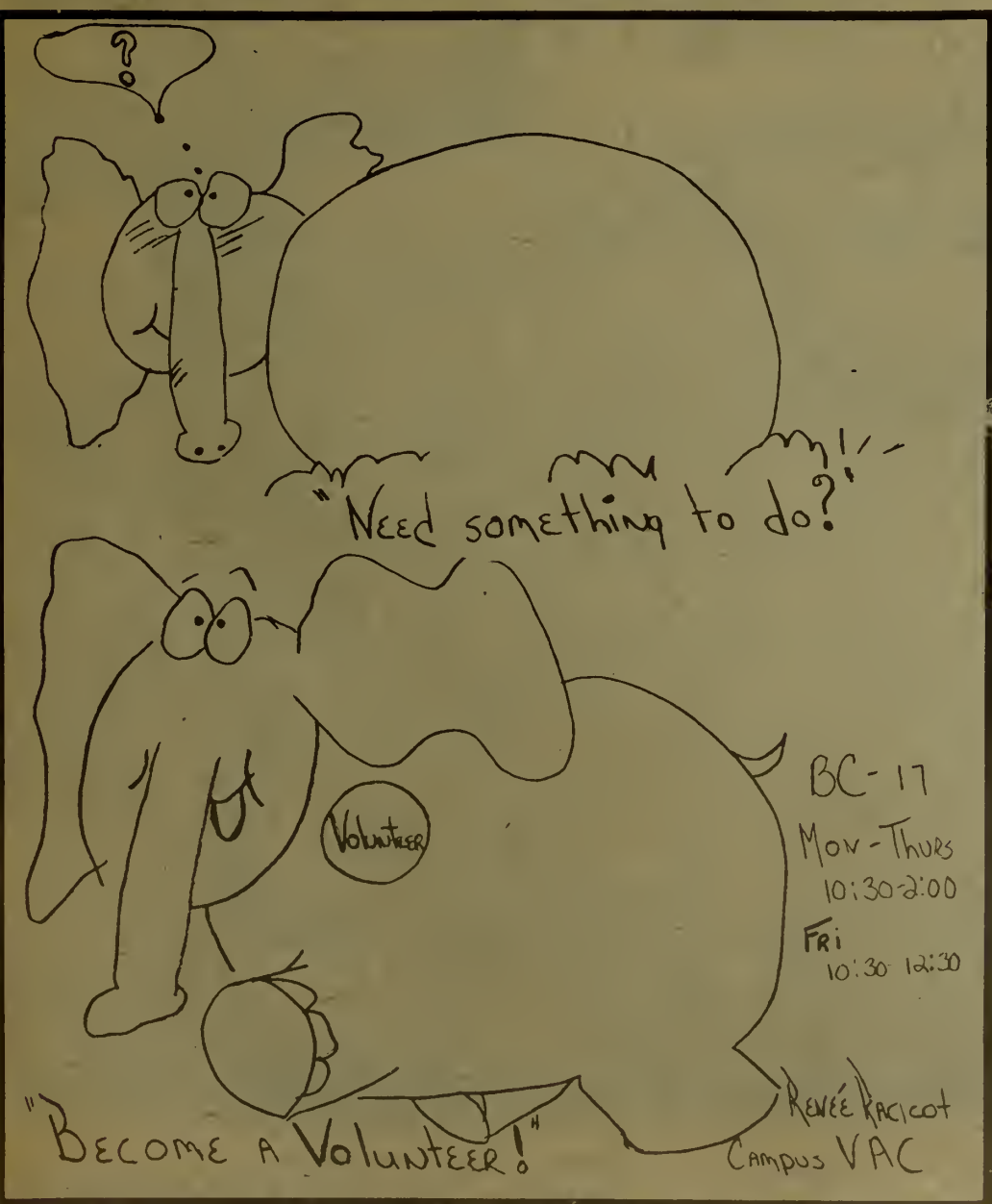
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*This fact taken from a research
study is based on the smoker
who at age 25 smokes about
a pack and a half of
cigarettes a day.



Liberation of S. Africa conference

NEW HAVEN, CT. — Students and concerned people from all over the Northeast are expected to attend a conference at Yale University March 31 through April 2 to mobilize opposition to U.S. involvement in Southern Africa. Purposes of the conference will be to organize American support for Black majority-rule in Southern Africa, especially on the dozens of already active Northeast campuses and to educate participants on the history of the liberation movements in Southern Africa and the role of U.S. government and corporations there. This conference, which will include speakers, workshops, films, cultural events and a plenary session is being coordinated by the recently formed Northeast Committee for the Liberation of Southern Africa (NECLSA).

NECLSA is made up of representatives from Amherst, Brandeis, Dartmouth, Hampshire and Wesleyan colleges, the

universities of Massachusetts at Amherst and Boston, Connecticut, Clark and Yale as well as the American Committee on Africa, the American Friends Service Committee, the Commuter Collective at the university of Massachusetts-Amherst, CP PAX, National Student Coalition Against Racism and the University Christian Movement.

Speakers
Guest speakers include Judge William Booth, president and chairperson of the American Committee on Africa (ACOA), Jennifer Davis, research director of Africa Fund and Willard Johnson who is a leading member of the Association of Concerned Africa Scholars. Booth will speak on his visit as a black jurist to South Africa and what Americans can do to support the Black Liberation movements while Davis will comment on the role of U.S. multi-national corporations in Southern Africa. Johnson will address the issue of

U.S. foreign policy regarding Southern Africa.

Representatives of the liberation movements throughout Southern Africa, including the Patriotic Front in Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) and the South West African People's Organization (S.W.A.P.O.) in Namibia (South-West Africa), as well as those from South Africa will attend.

Apartheid
Among the workshops will be historical surveys of the apartheid system, the liberation struggles in Southern Africa and the relationship of the U.S. government and U.S. based multinational corporations to white Southern African regimes. The convenors are planning workshops on campus movements for the sale of university-owned stocks in U.S. corporations operating in Southern Africa, on the campaigns against the South African gold coin, the Krugerrand, and on bank loans to South Africa. Outreach to community, church and labor groups is also on the agenda.

According to Nick Olcott, senior at Yale helping organize the conference, some of the goals of the conference include reaching students and community people who are interested in Southern Africa solidarity work, but have had no contact

with active groups. "We also hope to bring together people who are already involved with anti-apartheid activities in order to discuss common work," Olcott said, "such as the campaigns for divestment of stocks held by universities in corporations which do business in Southern Africa."

Harvard student Cindy Ruskin also organizing the conference, said a regional communications network in the Northeast will be formed in order to coordinate anti-apartheid work. Kelley Brown of UMass added that "we should keep in mind that the movement against corporate involvement extends across the country at this time."

According to 'Politics & Education' magazine, students at Hampshire college, Ohio university and the universities of Oregon, Wisconsin and Massachusetts have been successful in forcing their administrations to divest of stock holdings in U.S. corporations operating in Southern Africa. Presently similar divestment campaigns are being conducted at Harvard, Yale, Wesleyan, Amherst, Swarthmore, Dartmouth and Clark.

Male Stock

According to Fred Rose at Yale, one of the major reasons for choosing Yale as the conference site was to support the

current divestment campaign concerning the more than \$60 million of stock holdings Yale has invested in U.S. companies which do business in South Africa.

"And the anti-apartheid movement has moved beyond the campuses," said Brown. He said church groups such as the Unitarian church and the American Friends Service committee of the Quakers have been participating. Also he said trade unions such as District 31 of the United Steel Workers and District Local 1199, made up of 70,000 hospital workers, have removed their sizable pension funds from banks which are making loans to the Vorster regime in South Africa.

Participants at the conference will also discuss a regional day of action on April 30 calling for U.S. corporate withdrawal from Southern Africa and a U.S. economic embargo of South Africa.

Registration for the conference is \$2.50 and can be handled at the door. Financial assistance can be offered. Free housing is also available.

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Sun Day

The Massachusetts Sun Day Steering Committee today announced plans for Sun Day, May 3, 1978, here in the state. The committee includes representatives of the Massachusetts Audubon Society; the office of Congressman Robert F. Drinan; the League of Women Voters, the New England Solar Energy Association; the Massachusetts Solar Action Office; the Plumbers and Gasfitters Union, Local No. 12; the Massachusetts Public Interest Research Group; the Sierra Club; and Paine, Webber, Curtis, and Jackson.

Sun Day is a day for celebrating solar energy throughout the nation and the world. Plans now underway for Massachusetts include solar tours, exhibitions, rallies, museum presentations, solar-oriented art events, and educational programs on television, radio, and in the newspapers. The committee invites any group in the state to develop their own local activities.

The interest in Sun Day in Massachusetts is far-ranging. Governor Michael Dukakis and a broad range of government, labor, business, environmental, cultural, and community leaders have given their support to Sun Day. In addition, a number of groups around the state have begun to plan local activities. "The goal of Massachusetts Sun Day," said Mary Dawson, a spokesperson for the committee, "is to reach every citizen of the Commonwealth with the message that solar energy is technologically and economically feasible for Massachusetts, accessible with simple techniques, renewable, environmentally benign, and socially and economically beneficial."

The Sun Day committee points out that Sun Day is expected to have a particularly powerful impact in New England because of the awareness New Englanders have with regard to energy problems.

In addition, much of the nation's solar research and development is being done in New England."

For further information about

Massachusetts Sun Day, all interested individuals and groups are invited to contact Mary Dawson at 731-2454 or Ann Wheeler at 727-7297.



CROSSING GUARD MRS. PAGE seems to be waving good-bye

to winter in this photo taken last month.

(Rhetoric photo by Dan Weitzner)

'Y' offers new ways to fitness

Stephen B. Holt, Physical Education Director for the Fitchburg YMCA, announced that the Physical Education Department of the local "Y" is offering many interesting and exciting courses for the Spring. Registration for the programs will be getting underway this Monday. Most of the courses will be commencing the first week of April. The following are courses offered by the Physical Education Department:

YMCA Senior Lifesaving:

Two five week courses are scheduled for the Spring. Participants must be 15 years of age or older, be able to swim 20 lengths of the pool, execute both a head first and feet first surface dive and descent a minimum of nine feet and complete one length of the pool underwater. Upon successful completion of the course, the participants will be certified YMCA Senior Lifesavers.

A CPR course will also be offered in conjunction with the program. The program will be on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:15 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. These five week courses begin on April 4th and May 9th. Course fees are: \$10.00 for YMCA members and \$20.00 for others.

Instructional Tennis

An eight week program for beginners and intermediates. Included in the instruction will be: proper grip, stance, positioning, forehand, backhand, serving, volley, and net play. Singles and doubles strategy and much more. Frank McSherry, a tennis pro and experienced tennis instructor, will be directing the program. The course is on Tuesday evenings from 8:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Course fees are: \$25.00 for YMCA members and \$35.00 for others.

Co-ed Fitness Program

A progressive program to help develop one's cardiovascular

system, muscle tone, flexibility and endurance. The program involved a "warm-up," aerobic work (jogging, walking, swimming etc.), muscular strength-endurance period and a "cool-down." The program is scheduled for Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Course fees are: Free to YMCA members and \$25.00 for others.

Karate School

A Karate School for beginners and advanced students. Participants who enroll in the Karate School will learn: personality development, self-confidence, coordination and balance, physical conditioning, self defense, sport and discipline. Sensei, Peter Wirtz, is the Director for the Karate School. Beginners meet on Mondays, Wednesdays and

Fridays from 8:00-9:00 p.m. Advanced students are scheduled for Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. A youth class is on Fridays from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Course fees for the adult classes are: \$20-month for YMCA members and \$25-month for others. Youth fees are \$15-month for YMCA members and \$20-month for others.

Scuba Instruction

A twelve session accelerated course will begin on May 8th for those interested. Upon successful completion of the course, students will be certified as YMCA Scuba Divers. Classes will be on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7:00-10:15 p.m. Tony Salerny, a certified YMCA Scuba Instructor, will be directing the course. Course fees are: \$50 for YMCA members and

\$60 for others.

For further information concerning any of the above courses, please contact the Fitchburg

YMCA at 343-4847.

The Fitchburg YMCA is a member agency of the United Way of Greater Fitchburg.



CAMPUS CENTER NIGHT MANAGER Mike McNamara checks out the Campus Calendar. Will he select the Monty Python film or "Jane Miller and Richie Lecea at Weston Auditorium?" Only Time will tell ... No! Co-ed volleyball!

(Rhetoric photo)

Tennis instruction

The Fitchburg YMCA is offering an eight week tennis course for beginners and intermediates. The course will commence on Tuesday, April 4, 1978 at the gymnasium at the Fitchburg YMCA.

The class has been scheduled from 8:15-9:30 p.m. Included in the instruction will be proper grip, stance, positioning, forehand, backhand, serving, volley and net play, singles and doubles, strategy and much

more. Frank McSherry, a tennis pro and experienced tennis instructor, will be directing the program. Both YMCA members and others are invited to enroll in this exciting course. Tuition fees for the tennis program are: \$25.00 for YMCA members and \$35.00 for others. For further information please contact the Fitchburg YMCA. Fitchburg YMCA is a member agency of the Greater Fitchburg United Fund.

★ Epsilon Pi Tau

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will be chosen the Epsilon Award winner. NOTE: A winner does not have to be chosen every year.

What do you win?

The winner of the Epsilon Award will have his or her name inscribed on the plaque reserved for Epsilon Award winners that is displayed in the lobby of the Industrial Arts Building. The winner will also receive a certificate of honor which will be presented to him or her at the

Epsilon Pi Tau Spring Banquet in April. The other students receive a certificate of merit.

To Enter

An application form can be obtained from Mrs. McCormick in Room 343. It must be completed and returned by May 8, 1978. The judging date will be on May 10, 1978.

Any other additional information about this award can be obtained from any Epsilon Pi Tau member on campus.

Scholarships

Numerous scholarships are being made available to the students at FSC. Posters can be found throughout the campus on various bulletin boards, listing requirements, and background information.

LeBlond - O'Sullivan Memorial Scholarship - \$100.

Parking Scholarships - \$300. each.

Fitchburg Business and Professional Women's Club one - \$300.

Special Education Majors.

Athletics and Performing Artists Scholarship one - \$300.

North Central Massachusetts District Board 44 Scholarship one - \$175.

The Grace Gummo Nursing Scholarships.

Application forms are available at the Dean of Students office. The forms must be completed and returned to this office prior to Friday, April 14, 1978.

Coming Events

Thursday, April 20: Noon Recital: Donald Caldwell, tenor. 12:05 Christ Church, Main St. Free.

Sunday, April 23: Play: A special dramatic program 3 p.m. Fitchburg Public Library Auditorium. Free. More information at the Library.

Monday, April 24: Show: Tom Parks, comedian. Weston Auditorium, Fitchburg State College. 8 p.m. Admission.

Thursday, April 27: Noon Recital: "Madrigal Singers from Groton School. Christ Church, Main St. Free. 12:05.

Salem's spring seminar due

Visits to the University of Helsinki, the Finnish Ministry of Education and selected daycare centers, elementary and secondary schools highlight Salem State College's Seminar On International Education to be held in Helsinki, Finland from April 14, to April 21, 1978.

The seminar offers three undergraduate and three graduate credits. It seeks to study, at first hand, Finland's educational advances in daycare practices and to examine the country's reorganization and reform of its state school system.

Registration for the seminar is now open until March 1, 1978. For further information on tour costs and travel-study arrangements, please contact the Division of Continuing Studies and Special Programs or the Graduate Studies Office.

The co-directors of the program, Salem State College professors, Dr. John Mack and Dr. Louis Swiniarski of the Education Department are also available for additional information by calling 745-0556 extensions 281, 282, or 283.

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THE FSC WOMEN'S VARSITY Basketball Team after they took second place in the MAIAW

tournament.

(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)

Collegiate ski challenge

Sugarloaf, Maine... Sugarloaf-USA is hosting the 1978 Collegiate Ski Challenge as part of their first annual Collegiate Spring Weekend, April 8th and 9th. The Ski Challenge is a dual format NASTAR race. Teams from any colleges are welcome to enter the field.

The Ski Challenge is only one of the activities planned for this fun-filled weekend. On Saturday, the finals of the Great Ski New England Pro Classic will be held. Top Eastern pros will be completing the second and final day of competition for a 1978 diesel-powered Peugeot. From 4 to 6 p.m., there will be an outdoor concert by the Boston-based group the "Sorcerers," and a frisbee contest on the Bunny Slope of Sugarloaf's baselodge. This will be followed by an outdoor barbecue.

Saturday evening, the "Sorcerers" will return for an evening of dancing in the baselodge at Maxwell's. Sunday morning Peugeot will sponsor a Pole, Preamble, Peddle and Paddle race. This event is made up of

four continuous parts: a ski race, a foot race, a bike race and a canoe race. First place prizes for both the individual men's and women's division are mopeds. Second place prizes are 10 speed Peugeot bikes, with other special prizes for the college team divisions.

Sunday afternoon its the Collegiate Ski Challenge to determine the best skiing campus in the East. A sophisticated NASTAR handicap system will be used to handicap racers to give all skiers an even chance to help their team. It is hoped that fraternities, sororities, dorms and various campus groups will form teams. Registration will be by campus.

To enhance this weekend, Sugarloaf is offering nights in Sugarloaf's Mountainside condominiums, two-day lift tickets, the outdoor concert and an evening of dancing, and the entry fees for all activities, except the outdoor barbecue, for \$45 per

student.

For more information write: Sugarloaf-USA, Collegiate Spring Weekend, Carrabassett Valley, Maine 04947.

Workshops due in April

"Literacy Volunteers" is conducting a Basic English Workshop for the teaching of reading and writing at the Fitchburg Public Library on: Tuesday, April 11, 18, 25, and Mondays: May 1, 8, 15, from 6:45 to 9:30 p.m.

Candidates who are interested in becoming Literacy Volunteers tutors to those in need of help in this area are welcome.

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FIVE FITCHBURG STATE COLLEGE tracksters qualified for the NCAA Nationals (Division III) to be held May 25, 26 and 27 in

Michigan. They are Front, Rick Brown, Dave Farnsworth and back, Scott Haverly, Ed Healy, Glenn Govey and Coach Jim Sheehan.

(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)

COLLEGE POETRY REVIEW

The NATIONAL POETRY PRESS

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The closing date for the submission of manuscripts by College Students is

April 1

ANY STUDENT attending either junior or senior college is eligible to submit his verse. There is no limitation as to form or theme. Shorter works are preferred because of space limitations.

Each poem must be TYPED or PRINTED on a separate sheet, and must bear the NAME and HOME ADDRESS of the student, and the COLLEGE ADDRESS as well.

MANUSCRIPTS should be sent to the OFFICE OF THE PRESS.

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EURLENE HORGAN AND PAM RICHARDSON are caught in the act by the Rhetoric photographer.

(Rhetoric photo by Paul D'Alessandro)

Personally speaking

T.C.

When can we go to Slatt's? I'm looking forward to Roquefort and Roast Beef. Tell me when Professor will let you out of her sight. (Should we invite her?

Perhaps she'll give you an A for effort.) One question for the Prof... What is her favorite crime?...

Sleuth

Cinema Showcase

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College Special!

Every Wednesday and Thursday - admission will be only \$1.00 with College I.D.

COMING ATTRACTIONS!

"Close Encounters of the Third Kind"

"The Fury"

"The Goodbye Girl"

"Straight Time"

"The Turning Point"

"Gray Lady Down"
And Many More!